





September 2011



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ACTIVATIONS

- Hurricane Irene, September 2011 Emergency Support Function (ESF) 11 was activated at the Regional Response Coordination Centers (RRCC) in FEMA Regions I, II, III, and IV and at the National Response Coordination Center in Washington, DC to address agriculture issues for the states affected by the storm. At the request of FEMA, ESF #11: (1) Establish a Pets Coordination Group to address issues related to sheltering pets; (2) Deployed two Subject-Matter-Experts (SME) to integrate with FEMA Region III's Incident Management Assessment Team (IMAT) at Maryland's State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC); (3) Deployed a SMEs to the Rhode Island SEOC to provide assistance to the state's ESF #11 staff; (4) Deploy individuals from VS to join FEMA Region I's Agriculture Assessment Teams; and (5) Deployed a SME to integrate with FEMA Regions I's IMAT in Burlington, VT to address agriculture concerns. The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region II was activated to FEMA Region I RRCC from August 25-29, 2011 for Hurricane Irene.
- Tropical Storm Lee, September 8-9, 2011 ESF-11 was activated Sep 8-9 to the RRCC in FEMA Region III to address agriculture issues affecting Pennsylvania.

TRAINING

- Conducted ESF-11 Desk Officer Training to the lowa State Emergency Board on September 8, 2011.
- The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V worked with FEMA Region V IMAT and EMAC to provide training for state agriculture coordinators, September 12 & 13, 2011

TRAINING

- Conducted Desk Officer Training in FEMA Region VIII in Gladstone, MO on September 13, 2011.
- The ESF-11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV provided ESF11 training in Gainesville, FL on September 14, 2011.
- The ESF-11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V provided ESF-11 training in St. Paul, MN, September 14, 2011.
- ESF-11 trained with the Food and Drug Administration / Washington State Department of Agriculture - food emergency rapid response team (Food RRT) Kent, WA on September 14, 2011.
- ESF-11 provided an ESF-11 Mission Assignment presentation as part of a FEMA training in Kansas City, MO on September 14-15, 2011.
- The ESF-11 Coordinator in FEMA Region III provided ESF11 Training for Desk Officers in Pennsylvania September 15, 2011.
- Conducted Desk Officer Training in Alaska (FEMA Region X) on September 19, 2011.
- The ESF-11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V provided ESF-11 training in Pickerington, OH, September 28, 2011.
- ESF-11 participated in FEMA Region IX's California Emergency Management Agency Individual Assistance Annual Conference on September 22-23, 2011.
- ESF-11 Coordinators developed regional rosters of trained APHIS and partner agency staff in each FEMA Region to assist WR program contacts in filling resource requests.

EXERCISES

ESF-11 participated in a full-scale exercise for Foot-Mouth-Disease outbreak in Southern Central Valley. Over 125 participants including local veterinarians, National Veterinary Stockpile contractors, State and Federal Agricultural agencies on September 6-8, 2011.







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EXERCISES

ESF-11 participated in a planning meeting for the CA 2012 Golden Guardian Exercise on September 13, 2011.

- Southern CA Catastrophic Earthquake Plan Exercise Initial Planning Meeting on September 16, 2011.
- The ESF-11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV participated in the South Carolina's Veterinary Services Biological exercise in Columbia, SC on September 20, 2011.
- ESF-11 participated in the WA Cascadia Subduction Zone Direct Effects Information Planning Workshop Camp Murray, WA on September 19-23, 2011.
- ESF-11 participated in the National Level Exercise 2012 Amber Waves Tier III Initial Planning Conference on September 21-23, 2011.

CURRENT PROJECTS

- The ESF-11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I assisting Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency on a series of Animal Sheltering Exercises.
- The ESF-11 Coordinator in FEMA Region II is working with NJ and FEMA regarding the NJ's Feeding Plan.

UP COMING EVENTS

- The ESF-11 Coordinator in FEMA Region III will conduct DO training in MD/DE, in early fiscal year 2012.
- The ESF-11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV will present at AL USDA SEB on October 27, 2011.
- The ESF-11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV will host the GA Animal Sheltering Committee at GA VS Area Office on October 19, 2011.
- The ESF-11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V will participate in a food protection workshop in Des Plaines, IL, provided by the University of TN, October 5, 2011.
- The ESF-11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V will participate in the Southern Wisconsin Agricultural Ingestion Workshop in Beloit, WI, October 12, 2011.

AWARDS

Christine Sullivan, ESF-11 Coordinator, for FEMA Region I received a letter of appreciation for providing outstanding support to the Joint Field Office in Vermont, during Hurricane Irene.